



What You *Must* Do In NYC Based On Your Personality

Literature Lover



What to See:

- Morgan Library and Museum
 - Once the private library of J.P. Morgan (who I guess had money or something), the now-public library/museum is best known for its incredible interiors, collection of illuminated manuscripts, and a recent building extension by Renzo Piano - architect behind the Whitney.
- Strand Bookstore
 - A bookstore that has its own place in New Yorkers' hearts, Strand's inventory of new, used and rare books has been enriching and snobbing up the Big Apple literati for decades. Though it's had some testing times recently, Strand's books still line the sidewalks of downtown Broadway.
- The Edgar Allan Poe Cottage
 - The oft-forgotten former home of writer Edgar Allan Poe, this nineteenth century cottage is on the National Registry of Historic Landmarks. Poe's rent was supposedly \$5 a month.
- The Langston Hughes House
 - Though at first it seems like just another one of the beautiful brownstones that line East 127th Street, The Langston Hughes House is the historic former residence of the poet and preeminent figure of the Harlem Renaissance. It's currently the home of I, Too, Arts Collective, as well.



Where to Eat:

- Oscar Wilde
 - Enjoy some good bites, lovely libations, and, hopefully, droll witticisms at this ornate, alluring tavern. Take a selfie next to Oscar Wilde himself if you'd like, while waiting on the bench outside - or at least a statue of him.
- Edgar's Cafe
 - Charming Upper West Side coffeehouse that'll keep literary types caffeinated and Edgar Allan Poe lovers (Poeheads?) well satiated.



A Must Do Experience:

- Drunk Shakespeare
 - If traditional Shakespeare isn't your thing, try yourself some blitzed Bard! This wonderful theater district aside performs Ol' Willy's works, always with one cast member drunk. You think memorizing 'King Lear' was difficult sober?

Where to Sleep:

- Library Hotel
 - A boutique hotel for the bookish that's a hardcover's throw from Grand Central Station, each guest floor has a different theme designated by the Dewey Decimal Classification. Your room may be categorized under Poetry, Mathematics, or Erotic Literature, say.

Where to Drink:

- Raine's Law Room
 - Don't let the name fool you. You should find your divorce attorney elsewhere. Instead, transport back into Prohibition-era debauchery at this Chelsea speakeasy with the secret entrance.
- The Shakespeare
 - This elevated gastropub inside The William Hotel is built for the Anglophile. You'll feel like you're in the coziest pub in England, when in reality you're on East 39th Street.
- The Writing Room
 - At this Upper East Side bistro, you're surrounded by tomes and portraits of famous authors while enjoying comfort food and partaking in cocktails.





What to See:

- Merchant House Museum
 - The only nineteenth-century home in NYC still full intact, it's also the lone historic house museum in the Greenwich Village area. That means it's seen some wild thing.
- National Jazz Museum Harlem
 - The museum is a living celebration of Harlem's immense jazz history. It moved to its new, more spacious location on West 129th in 2016 and features not only photographs and artwork but books, documentaries and recordings dedicated to the true American art form.
- NY Transit Museum
 - The daily grind can make anyone take the marvel of New York's public transportation system for granted, but this museum in Downtown Brooklyn showcases the artifacts, the history, and the stories behind what makes the city go.
- NYC Fire Museum
 - New York's Bravest and Best have their own museum in a renovated old SoHo firehouse. It includes a permanent memorial to the city firefighters that sacrificed their lives on 9/11.
- Trinity Church
 - The Lower Manhattan landmark has a burial ground that contains a who's who of early American history - including Alexander Hamilton. The original site of the church was constructed in the seventeenth century, before burning down in the "Great New York City Fire of 1776."
- Louis Armstrong House Museum
 - The king of jazz was a Queensite for a number of years, and his former home in Corona was turned into a museum in his honor, consecrated as a National Historic Landmark in 1976.
- African Burial Ground Monument
 - One of the most powerful landmarks in all of New York - when considering the history behind it - the monument is also a stark reminder of the darkest parts of U.S. history. The grounds it memorializes contained the largest colonial-era cemetery for people of African descent - most of whom were enslaved.



- Hamilton Grange
 - The former home of founding father and Broadway character Alexander Hamilton, the Upper Manhattan mansion was relocated multiple times before landing at its current plot inside St. Nicholas Park.
- Green - Wood Cemetery
 - Named a National Historic Landmark in 2006, the Brooklyn cemetery was built in 1838. Many famous figures are buried there, including William "Boss" Tweed, rapper Pop Smoke, and four Roosevelts.
- Tenement Museum
 - The museum is an important preserver, and conveyer, of the immigrant experience in America. Built in 1863, the tenements eventually housed around 15,000 people, hailing from 20 different countries.
- Morris-Jumel Mansion
 - The oldest still-standing house in Manhattan, this Washington Heights museum features a bed said to have once been owned by Napoleon.
- St Paul's Chapel
 - The chapel building of Trinity Church, St. Paul's was built in 1766. The National Historic Landmark somehow survived the nearby September 11th attacks without any significant damage.

Where to Eat:

- Fraunces Tavern
 - Food's great, ale's good and, oh yeah, it played a prominent role in the founding of America. Fraunces Tavern was once the headquarters of George Washington, and it hosted peace negotiations with the British during the revolution. Today, it's both an operational museum and restaurant.
- Brooklyn Pharmacy and Soda Fountain
 - This throwback soda shop on Henry Street in Brooklyn was an apothecary in the 1920's. Fittingly, it specializes in old school fare like egg creams and fountain sodas, along with serving comfort food.

A Must Do Experience:

- 9/11 Memorial and Museum
 - This commemoration of the lives lost in the World Trade Center attacks is a compelling, beautiful and soul-wrenching experience for any visitor. The underground museum contains artifacts, including steel from the Twin Towers, along with exhibits that tell the stories of 9/11's many heroes.

Where to Sleep:

- The Evelyn
 - This art-deco "reimagined hotel" is a stylish nod to the Gilded Age, bringing an old-fashioned charm to the same NoMad area that was once home to Tin Pan Alley.
- The Plaza
 - Legendary Fifth Avenue hotel opposite Central Park, the Plaza has played itself on screen numerous times over the decades, and hosted everyone from world leaders to star athletes to cultural icons.
- Gramercy Park Hotel
 - The historic hotel where Babe Ruth was a regular drinker and Humphrey Bogart got married. It was renovated by the famed artist Julian Schnabel in the 2000s.
- The St Regis New York
 - Founded by famous rich guy John Jacob Astor in the early, twentieth century. You can drink the famous Red Snapper cocktail at its equally famous King Cole Bar.



Where to Drink:

- McSorely Ale House
 - The iconic sawdust on the floor harkens back to a time long past - but yet still present. They only serve two kinds of ale: light and dark. Both their own. You can do that when you're the oldest Irish saloon in New York City.
- The Dead Rabbit
 - This world-renowned bar on Water Street has won a multitude of awards for its cocktails. It's also home to a pretty legendary Irish Coffee.
- White Horse Tavern
 - A West Village landmark and ancient gathering place of artists and writers. Infamous for being the bar where Welsh poet Dylan Thomas drank himself to death.

- Please Don't Tell
 - Its entrance is, you guessed it, through a phone booth in the Crif Dogs next door. This East Village cocktail speakeasy is a must-do on a stroll down St. Mark's Place.
- Dorlan's Oyster Tavern
 - Oyster, burger and beer spot evokes the olden, days when the South Street Seaport was graced by longshoreman, fish workers and travelers from all over the world.
- Anywhere on Stone Street
 - The oldest stone-paved street in Manhattan, it was laid when that part of the island was still the fledgling colony of New Amsterdam. The small roadway is still a Financial District destination for drink and eats.



Avant Garde Artist

Places to See:

- The Bushwick Collective
 - An al fresco showcase of street art in the artists' enclave of Bushwick, The Collective showcases some of the leading muralists in the world. Simply a walk around the block provides a visual feast and an elite artistic experience.
- American Folk Art Museum
 - This Lincoln Center-area institution showcases the best of folk art and self-taught artistry from all around the globe.
- The Museum of Modern Art
 - One of the most famous art institutions in the world, MoMA was the first museum ever dedicated to modern art, opened back in 1929. Anything and everything that matters from the 1880's onward is on display here.
- Museum of Street Art
 - This museum, located inside the citizenM Bowery Hotel, is an elegy to the greatest and most influential street art ever. It preserves a fruitful era of NYC creativity with artistic expression that was meant to be ephemeral.
- Metrograph
 - An old school Hollywood themed theater that shows throwback and indie films

- Museum of the Moving Image
 - This Astoria, Queens destination highlights the art, history, and technology of filmmaking, housed in the former Astoria Studios space (which has since moved and become the major-league Kaufman-Astoria Studios, home of Law & Order: SVU and Sesame Street, among others.)



- Bushwick Markets
 - One of the most popular flea markets in Brooklyn. If you're into finding gems off the beaten path - from clothes to furniture to uncategorizables - there's no better place than the Bushwick Market.
- Chelsea Market
 - A retail marketplace that caters to both the chic and tourist crowds. Operating in the heart of The Meatpacking District, Chelsea Market offers great food and shopping options for those visiting The High-Line and The Whitney.
- Washington Square Park
 - One of NYC's most iconic public spaces, Washington Square Park has played host to the city's counterculture movements for well over a century, and is an integral part of The Greenwich Village mythology.

Places to Eat:

- Roberta's Pizza
 - A pizza mecca for hipsters, Roberta's wood-cooked pies are topped with ingredients from their own roof-top garden. It's become a destination for pieheads from well beyond its East Williamsburg locale.
- The Turk's Inn
 - A Wes Anderson style vibe that serves Turkish food and has dancing next door

A Must Do Experience:

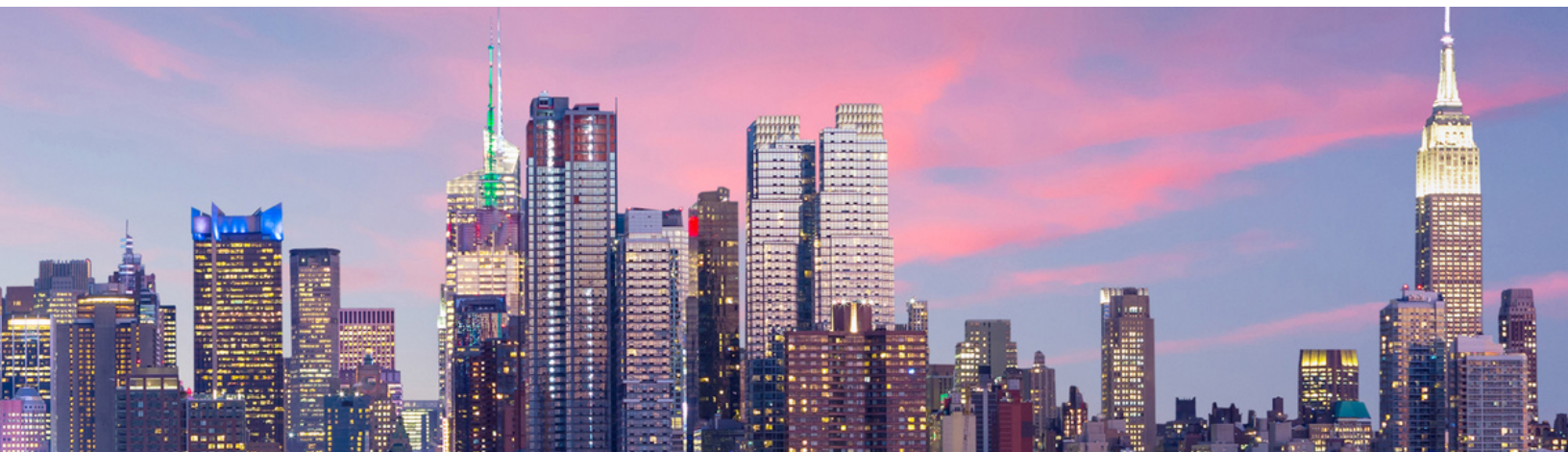
- MoMA PS1
 - This outpost of the original MoMA in Long Island City is one of the largest contemporary art institutions in the country. It was an independent art museum until its merger with MoMA in 2000.
- Sleep No More
 - Housed in the pseudo-lodgings of the McKittrick Hotel, this is a theater experience unlike any other other: a film noir-styled version of Shakespeare's Macbeth that will tickle your artistic soul.

Where to Sleep:

- The Jane
 - This historic West Village hotel opened in 1908 as a sailors' quarters. The ballroom once served as an acclaimed Off-Broadway theater.

Places to Drink:

- Nurse Bettie
 - Nothing to do with the Renee Zellweger's faux-Brit accent, this LES watering hole is instead an homage to 1950's pinup model Bettie Page.
- Brooklyn Beer Garden
 - This seasonal outdoor popup in showcases local brews and art in an East Williamsburg space.
- Pearl's Social and Billy Club
 - If you like tattooed barkeeps and Mason-jar cocktails, this Bushwick corner spot will do nicely for anyone with a bohemian side. Or bohemian whole.
- Boobie Trap
 - Located on the other Bleecker Street (in good ol' Bushwick), this tavern has an edge while being no-frills - making it the perfect spot for a drinkin' artist-type.
- Gowanus Shuffle Board Club
 - Day-drinking and shuffleboard go together perfectly at this Gowanus spot. The food is pretty damn good as well.



Places to See:

- House of Yes
 - Bushwick hot-spot for outlandish dance parties and outrageous showcases, including theater, cabaret, and even circus. This is nightlife culture elevated to an art form.
- Le Bain
 - From the roof of The Standard Hotel, overlooking The High Line, Le Bain includes a disco, bar, creperie and plunge pool - when weather allows.
- The Box
 - Music, theatre, burlesque, and erotica are part of the experience at this LES night spot. Plus it's super close to Katz's Deli, which is an added bonus.
- The Slipper Room
 - A burlesque, variety show of epic proportions

Places to Eat:

- Dirty French
 - A chandelier-adorned bistro from the same people behind celebrity magnet Carbone. Brings a flamboyant brasserie feel to the Lower East Side.
- Poco (boozy brunch)
 - Alphabet City's Spanish tapas joint is perfect for boozy brunching. A loud, bustling place aimed at a cool, local crowd.
- Hotel Chantelle
 - There's often a DJ, other party minded patrons, and performances here. It turns into a nightclub later in the evening

A Must Do Experience:

- Karaoke in K-Town
 - A nighttime stroll through the Korean epicenter of Manhattan provides any number of popular karaoke spots (or noraebang in Korean) - courtesy of a culture that knows how to do it better than anyone.





Where to Sleep:

- The Standard Highline
 - Looming over The Whitney, Chelsea Market and The High Line, the Standard is 18 sleek stories of incredible NYC views and chic confabbing in the heart of The Meatpacking District.

Places to Drink:

- Charles Hanson's 169 Bar
 - Casual vibe with eclectic, unique eats, this Two Bridges watering hole is a place to get oysters, borscht and dumplings while drinking amid palm trees.
- Retroclub
 - A great place for dancing that plays mostly 70s and 80s music (you know, the good stuff)
- Hotel Chantelle
 - Three floors of dining, nightclubbing, and special events culminates in a rooftop restaurant that overlooks the Lower East Side. Its classy New American menu complements it's Downtown vibe.
- Mood Ring NYC
 - Enjoy astrology-themed libations at this Bushwick bar, surrounded by dim lighting, DJs and shabby hipsterdom galore.
- Beauty Bar
 - Get your nails did and your dance on at this retro-salon nightclub chain. The original one on East 14th has been doing it's thing for over two decades now.
- Rudy's Bar and Grill
 - Since 1933, Rudy's has become a no-frills staple of Hell's Kitchen. Take a seat belly up and enjoy the Midtown crowd and free - yes, free - hot dogs.
- Fat Black Pussycat
 - The original Fat Black Pussycat was the folkie hangout bar where Bob Dylan allegedly wrote 'Blowing in the Wind.' Now, it's in a different Village locale and a sister showroom to the world-famous Comedy Cellar.



Places to See:

- Brooklyn Botanic Garden
 - Founded in 1910, the garden sprawls across Mount Prospect Park, adjacent to the park itself. Almost a million people per year visit its 52-acres of dizzying flora.
- The High Line
 - From an abandoned elevated railway into a must-go destination for any NYC visitor, The High-Line is an urban park and greenway that crawls up the west side of Manhattan. It's become an inspiration for reworking abandoned public spaces the world over.
- Jamaica Bay Riding Academy
 - Here, along the southern rim of Brooklyn, you can ride horses on a beachfront. The equestrian center has over 400 acres of manufactured trails on which to go galloping.
- Prospect Park
 - The most famous park in Brooklyn was created by the same man - Frederick Law Olmstead - who brought Central Park to life. It stands alongside Grand Army Plaza, The Brooklyn Museum and The Brooklyn Botanic Garden.
- Central Park
 - The world-famous urban oasis is synonymous with New York itself, and was America's first ever public park. 843 acres of sprawling nature dropped into the middle of a megalopolis.

Places to Eat:

- Dirt Candy
 - Innovative vegetarian eatery on the LES. Known for its open, airy atmosphere.
- Banter
 - This cozy, welcoming cafe in the heart of Greenwich Village lets you enjoy health-conscious eats and the Village vibe.
- Bunna Cafe
 - Delicious Ethiopian food that's all plant-based, this bar, eatery and performance venue has become a huge draw in Bushwick.
- Ladybird
 - A beautiful, sumptuous setting in the East Village that offers innovative vegetarian dishes.

A Must Do Experience:

- Wave Hill Public Garden and Cultural Center
 - This 28-acre Riverdale estate in the Bronx features a cultural center, resplendent gardens and sweeping views of the Hudson River and the Palisades.
- Socrates Sculpture Park
 - Once a landfill, now a free public park with large-scale sculpture art and multimedia installations in Long Island City.

Where to Sleep:

- Sanctuary NYC Retreats
 - You can find your zen on the Lower East Side. Provides accommodations and amenities for those seeking not just a retreat, but a “retreat for the soul.”

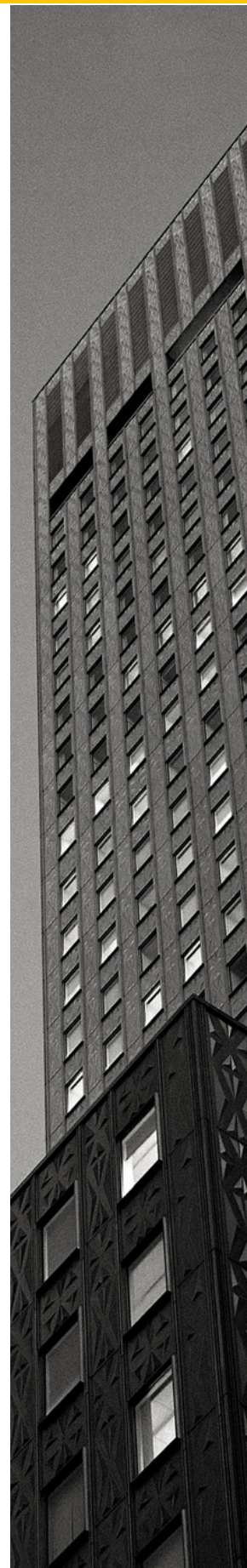
Places to Drink:

- Stinger NYC
 - Inside the InterContinental Hotel in Times Square, the Stinger is a snazzy cocktail bar offering shareable plates and even punch bowls.
- Apotheke
 - Pharmacy is the theme here at this mixology bar tucked away between Civic Center and Chinatown. If inspired, complex cocktails are your game, this is the place.



Things to See:

- Mets Hall of Fame and Museum
 - Soak in the history of the Metropolitans at this museum featuring 30 all-time great franchise players. Located next to the Jackie Robinson Rotunda along the first base-side of Citifield.
- Citifield
 - With some of the best gameday experience and cuisine of any ballpark in the majors, Citifield in Flushing, Queens is a baseball experience done right - whether you're a Mets fan or not.
- Yankee Stadium Tours (or games)
 - The Cathedral of Baseball is worth a visit from any sports fanatic (maybe even if you're a Red Sox fan). Centerpiece of the tour is Monument Park, a Stonehenge of baseball greatness featuring plaques dedicated to all-time Yankees, including Babe Ruth, Joe Dimaggio, Lou Gehrig, Reggie Jackson and Derek Jeter.
- Brooklyn Cyclones
 - Coney Island's own minor league baseball stadium, it's a good time had for a modest price. Features a lot of fun theme nights, including 'Seinfeld Night' and 'Game of Thrones Night'.
- Chelsea Piers Golf Center
 - Practice your golf stroke along the Hudson River. Chelsea Piers offers the most NYC golf experience you can find, right across the West Side Highway from the Meatpacking District.
- Ranger's game
 - "Let's Go, Rangers!" You'll be chanting it yourself when attending one of the most electric atmospheres in hockey at the world's most famous arena: Madison Square Garden.
- Gotham Archery
 - Got an itch for shooting arrows? This Lower East Side archery range has beautiful facilities and plenty of bullseyes to take aim at.
- BYKlyn Cycle
 - You'll get elite indoor cycling classes and even Pilates sessions at this urban-style facility on Flatbush Avenue in Brooklyn.



Places to Eat:

- Clyde Frazier's Wine and Dine
 - Knicks legend and absolute style icon Walt "Clyde" Frazier opened this restaurant centered around Contemporary American cuisine a few years back. Appropriately enough, it's glamorous, glitzy and arena-sized - just like the place Frazier made his name as a basketball player.



- The Australian (rugby game)
 - Any transplant from Down Under, or any curious sports fan, could come to this Aussie bar/restaurant and enjoy a game of 'footy' with the other patrons.

A Must Do Experience:

- A unique fitness class, everything from nude yoga to belly dancing to surfing etc
 - Just like with so many other things, NYC offers a vast array of activities and classes centered around athletics and fitness.

Where to Sleep:

- Equinox Hotel
 - Just like the ubiquitous namesake exercise clubs, the hotel offers elite body restoration and fitness along with its 5-star accommodations. Part of the spankin' new, Insta-friendly Hudson Yards complex on the west side of Manhattan.

Places to Drink:

- Blondie's
 - This Upper West Side sports bar supreme has a host of barmaids, plenty of TVs, and wings that'll perfectly sustain game-day drinking.
- Break Bar
 - If you're in Astoria and you're ready for a serious game of billiards or ping-pong, this is the spot. And you can do so while watching whatever big game is on TV.
- Stan's
 - No Yankee game is complete without at least a pop-in to Stan's. Any visit to the pinstripers in action (or even in the off-season... why not?) requires a stop at the best Yankee bar around, right on River Avenue.



The Mindful One:

Places to See:

- Yoga Vida
 - Amid the bustle of Union Square, on the 6th floor of a University Place building, this yoga center offers a relaxing, mind-centering escape from the big, crazy world.
- Om Factory Yoga
 - This yoga studio just north of Union Square gives you an opportunity to “take flight”, by offering Aerial Yoga and Circus classes.
- Y7 Yoga Studio
 - You’ll stretch, you’ll sweat, and you’ll do yoga by candlelight. This Flatiron, UES, and Williamsburg-located studio chain turns the temperature up to ninety degrees, so you can perspire away the stress.
- Eldridge Street Synagogue
 - A landmark synagogue located in Chinatown, it was built in 1887 - making it one of the first synagogues in America constructed by Jewish immigrants from Eastern Europe.
- St Patrick’s Cathedral
 - Between its Midtown locale (Across from Rockefeller Center), incredible Gothic architecture, and iconic status for New York Catholics, St. Patrick’s Cathedral is a true religious landmark. It’s also the seat of the city’s Archbishop.
- Mahayana Buddhist Temple
 - One of New York’s true centers of Buddhism, this urban temple in Chinatown features a large Buddha statue and colorful panels that illustrate his life story. The original temple stands at 64 Mott Street.
- MNDFL
 - A meditation center near Washington Square Park, you can not only find your own mindfulness here, but you can teach others to do so as well by participating in a four-part program.

- Inscape
 - Immersive, audio-guided meditation studios and relaxation rooms offer a welcome respite from the stress and pressure of everyday life. Within walking distance from The High Line and Chelsea Market.

Places to Eat:

- Ganesh Temple Canteen Restaurant
 - Set in the basement of a Hindu temple in Queens, the restaurant offers authentic South Indian fare served cafeteria style in a bright, well-lit space.
- Divya's Kitchen
 - Located in the Bhakti center on the Lower East Side, Divya's is a vegetarian eatery that's also, mostly, gluten-free - following sacred Ayurvedic principles.
- Cafe Himalaya
 - Bring your own booze and squeeze into this tight, popular Nepalese restaurant on the Lower East Side. You'll get a delicious taste of Tibet for a modest price.
- Le Botaniste
 - This plant-based, organic restaurant and wine bar has a location downtown on Grand Street, as well as two on either side of Central Park.
- Little Beet Table
 - With a menu that's organic, vegetarian and gluten free, this Park Avenue South eatery still has no shortage of delicious dishes, all served in a vibrant, buzzy space.
- Avant Garden
 - The branch chandelier is one of the eye-catching features of this refined vegan eatery in the East Village. Don't forget to partake in its global wine list either.
- Jajaja Plantas Mexicana
 - Get your tequila and your vegan on at this Contemporary Mexican spot in between Chinatown and the Lower East Side. Serves delectable plant-based takes on Mexican street food.





- Oath Pizza
 - With fresh, certified Humane ingredients and a light avocado-oil crust, this Lenox Hill pizza joint lets you enjoy a slice without feeling guilty about it.
- The Butcher's Daughter
 - Calling itself a "vegetable slaughterhouse", this plant-based cafe/restaurant/juice bar has locations in the West Village, Nolita, and Williamsburg.



A Must Do Experience:

- New York Chinese Scholar's Garden at Snug Harbor
 - Opening in 1999, and built by forty Chinese artists and artisan with materials shipped from the East, this beautiful scholar garden sits peacefully within the tranquil setting of Staten Island's most famous cultural center.
- Noguchi Museum
 - Designed and created by Isamu Noguchi, the renowned Japanese-American artist and sculptor, this LIC museum (within walking distance from the Socrates Sculpture Garden) celebrates his art and legacy.



Where to Sleep:

- The Benjamin
 - This Midtown hotel, considered quintessentially New York, sits in a beaux-arts-style building built in 1927. Whether a tourist or a native looking for an upscale stay-over in the city, The Benjamin gives you a relaxing experiencing in a location that makes you feel on top of the world.



What to See:

- The Drama Book Shop
 - Bookshop famous for its deep library of plays and scripts, and championed by the likes of Lin-Manuel Miranda. Was recently saved from closing down, to continue its legacy as an unmatched theatrical resource.
- Bryant Park free performances
 - Whether it's Shakespeare, Broadway, opera, or more, world-famous Bryant Park offers no shortage of performances throughout the year, accessible to anyone coming through this Midtown gem of a public space.
- Broadway Up Close Tours
 - Whether doing an in-person or, now, virtual tour, each BUP tour guide is a legitimate Broadway insider - be they a working performer or stage manager. Perfect for the theater nerd in all of us.
- Museum of Broadway
 - Broadway's rich, colorful history now has a standing homage, right in the Theater District. Get an immersive experience as you walk through the vast backstory of America's home of story.
- See a performance at a small theater
 - Whether it's the Public Theater, Cherry Lane, Minetta Lane, or New World Stages (to name just a few) off-Broadway venues are home to the most adventurous, daring and prescient theater-work around - not to mention incubators of future Broadway blockbusters.



Where to Eat:

- Ellen's Stardust Diner
 - Cant-miss, 50's-style corner diner just blocks from Radio City Music Hall, Ellen's serves up classic American eats and a swinging, singing waitstaff delivering it to you.
- Sardi's
 - Famous for its iconic wall lined with caricatures of great performers, Sardi's has been providing Italian dinners to the bustling theatergoing crowd since 1927.

A Must Do Experience:

- Take a class at Broadway Dance Center
 - BDC was opened in 1984 as one of the first "drop-in" dance studios in the world. And it's still going strong, with more than 350 drop-in classes offered per week, right in the heart of Times Square.



Where to Sleep:

- Hotel Shocard
 - A “modern facility with retro flair”, this Garment District hotel has a Broadway-lights theme and offers a great stay for those on a musical theater getaway.
- Moxy NYC Times Square
 - This Times Square hotel styles itself as more than simply lodging - offering an immersive social experience, unique venues, and design-driven rooms.

Where to Drink:

- Glass House Tavern
 - This New American restaurant in Times Square features a comfortable, tavern-like atmosphere and fixed price pre-theater dinner specials.
- Any karaoke bar
 - For those who love theater, and those who are performers at heart, there’s no better way to express your passion than hitting up the many karaoke bars in New York City.

The Culturally Curious One

Places to See:

- Museum of Chinese in America
 - MOCA is an educational and cultural institution dedicated to the Chinese-American experience, located on Centre Street in Little Italy. It’s small but hosts powerful exhibits and programs.
- The Jewish Museum
 - Part of Museum Mile running along the east side of Central Park, The Jewish Museum is an intersection of Jewish art and culture, intended for people of all backgrounds to be enriched and stimulated by.
- El Museo del Barrio
 - New York’s leading Latino cultural institution, in none other than Spanish Harlem, El Museo sits at the northern end of world-famous Museum Mile and showcases a full landscape of Latino art and ideas.

- Memorial to Irish Famine
 - A breathtaking outdoor garden in Battery Park City, the memorial is meant to keep victims of the Great Irish Famine (1945-52) in the consciousness of New York - a city so many immigrant Irish settled in as a result of these travails.

Places to Eat:

- Russ and Daughters
 - Get your smoked fish, bagels, bialys, caviars and other mouth-watering fare at this NYC culinary icon. The restaurant itself was spun off from the original family shop - both located
- Sky Wise Lounge
 - Head to Sheepshead Bay and enjoy Russian culture turned up a few notches, at this glitzy, Vegas-style restaurant
- Old Tblisi Garden
 - Here you'll get a full taste of Georgian cuisine (the other Georgia) in a spare, simple space with a back garden area, right on Bleecker Street.
- Lolo's Seafood Shack
 - Caribbean seafood steam pots galore at this counter-space-only eatery in Harlem's unofficial "restaurant district."



- Miss Lily's 7A Cafe
 - You'll get a beach shack feel in the middle of the East Village at this Jamaican eatery. Sunny cocktails and fresh juices add to its Caribbean oasis vibe.
- Amarachi
 - Nigerian, American, and Caribbean cuisine come together at this upscale Vinegar Hill restaurant, located near the entrance to the Manhattan Bridge.
- Huertas
 - You can bask in Basque cuisine at this East Village eatery dedicated to Northern Spanish food. Great for large groups, with small plates you'll just want to keep trying and sharing.



- Boqueria
 - Chain Spanish tapas restaurant with three locations in Manhattan. Each a vibrant Barcelona-style tapas bar that provides a steady, varying, satisfying assault on your taste buds.
- Oh K Dog
 - The colorful, vibrant storefront stands out just as much as the delicious Korean treats Oh K-Dog offers up on the LES. Stuffed hot dogs and egg toast are two favorites here.
- Joe Shanghai -- or anywhere in Flushing
 - The famous soup dumplings are only one reason to pay a visit to this busy Chinatown eatery. And if you're in the mood for more Chinese food immersion, there's always the China-away-from-China feel of Flushing, Queens.
- Anywhere on Arthur Avenue
 - Perhaps NYC's last, true Little Italy, Arthur Avenue in The Bronx is a must-go destination for anyone that loves Italian food - which probably means everyone. Walk along and sample the irresistible salumerias, or sit down for some wine and pasta at any of the top-notch classic Italian restaurants on the street.
- Dudley's
 - Get your food with an Aussie twist at this Lower East Side restaurant that keeps all its ingredients locally sourced. It's Down Under vibes mixed with New York chic.
- Krolewskie Jadlo
 - Walk into a medieval theme setting and then enjoy scrumptious Polish specialties like pierogies and kielbasa. Located in the center of Polish New York: Greenpoint.

A Must Do Experience:

- Nuyorican Poets Cafe
 - One of the most storied, well-known bohemian spaces in New York, you'll squeeze yourself into an East Village performance venue featuring poetry slams, jazz, comedy, music and more.

Where to Sleep:

- Yotel New York
 - A trendy capsule hotel located a few blocks from the Lincoln Tunnel. It's cutting-edge design allows you to enjoy a vibrant city experience for relatively low rates.

Places to Drink:

- The Late Late
 - Irish pub with retro decor straight out of the 1960's, The Late Late is a perfect LES stopoff for those itching for good whiskey.
- Mary O's Pub
 - Famous for their Irish Soda Bread Shop as well, this bar and restaurant offers Irish and American flavors in a modern bar setting in Alphabet City.
- Angel's Share
 - This secret East Village haunt is hard to find, on purpose. It's a speakeasy-style bar with wildly creative cocktails, hidden inside a restaurant called Village Yokochō. Considered one of the world's best bars.
- Mehanata Bulgarian bar
 - With a subzero-temperature vodka room, live music, and DJs, Mehanata has been bringing the bumpin' Bulgarian vibes to the Lower East Side for some time. Some of the best Eastern European and Gypsy music in the city.
- Bar Pisellino
 - A small slice of casual Italy right in Greenwich Village, Bar Pisellino is an all-day cafe where you can enjoy an espresso or an aperitif at either the sidewalk seating or its standing-only bar.

